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117.2 1st Ave
New York City.

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My Dear Mr. Garrison,
Permit me to thank
you, for giving my address, to Mrs. Joff. of
Brooklyn: a lady who appears to be very
much interested in the Southern question.
She has just left me, after a pleasant call.
That is to say, it was a very pleasant call to
me, and we both look forward to many
profitable meetings in the future.
I wish also to thank you for your kind
and most welcome favour, and for the
papers. I cannot tell you how glad I am
to have, even this faint outline, of Southern
history, made public; it is only by these
means, that public opinion can be shaped.
I will not, I cannot believe, that this
Government is to fall into the hands of those
who but yesterday, attempted to destroy it: but
there is much hard work to be done before
the next Presidential Election, to prevent
such a calamity.
My heart swells with gratitude toward you,
that you have so bravely taken your stand
on the bloody shirt question. I am, and was you
are in this, as right, as you were, long ago on
the question of human slavery.
I am full to the brims of these questions,
and long, with an utter longing, to hear
the voice of other good men, rising.

out, above the indefinite voice, that comes
from Washington, singing clear, full
and as unmistakable, as does yours
on this subject.

I believe that your unmistakable
position has already had its effect.
It has proven a very key note. If there be
politicians who will not hear there is a
people whose voice will I firmly believe
none, in this matter, to be the very voice of
God.

I am glad that you have been spread
into this day into this Nation with
our prayers. We will "stay" your loving
hands, while you reach them out into
the people, in supplication for justice, to
once more take her seat in the halls,
where our National affairs are now so
chaotically administered.

I trust that sometime, somewhere I
shall meet you face to face, and clasp
the hand of him who was so honored, as
to have a rope about his neck, and be
dragged about the streets of Boston for
sake of vindicating ~~human~~ rights.
Who has suffered so much for the sake
of Establishing, in a free land, under a
Republican form of government, Human
liberty.

Forgive my earnestness. I can think or
speak of little, but these exciting themes.
With deepest respect and esteem,
Ever yours
Elizabeth L. Palmer.

